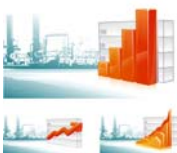


**Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant  
United States Disease Prevention Program  
Flexible Funding for Indiana's Public Health Programs**

The Preventive Health and Health Services (PHHS) Block Grant provides funding for health issues in Indiana that range from public health system quality improvement to social marketing for various health risks and conditions. Federal Fiscal Year 2008 dollars are used to fund 5 different Indiana health programs.

PHHS Block Grant funds allow Indiana to use dollars where we need them and when we need them based on the leadership of the State Health Commissioner and the recommendations of our Block Grant Advisory Committee. Indiana uses the majority of its PHHS Block Grant dollars to strengthen the public health system at both the state and local levels. Examples follow of programs that serve our state's unique needs through the PHHS Block Grant:



**Public Health System Quality Improvement Project:** Quality Improvement initiatives at state and local public health agencies involve a thorough assessment process, where strengths and weaknesses are clearly identified. This sets the stage for the planning and execution of projects designed to improve the capabilities of the public health system in each individual community as well as the state system as a whole.



**Public Health Workforce Education:** Indiana's public health workforce is provided extensive training on essential public health services that go beyond the day-to-day duties of each individual worker. Opportunities for various forms of continuing education are also offered in a convenient and cost-efficient manner.



**Social Marketing:** Professionally-designed educational magazine inserts are developed on a monthly basis, each dealing with a specific health topic such as obesity, tobacco, arthritis and substance abuse. Inserts are developed in a manner that allows them to also be distributed as stand-alone publications.



**State Health Data Center:** Funds are being used to develop an integrated data set that could be made available to epidemiologists, and eventually broadened to others in a much more efficient and user-friendly format.



**Sexual Assault Services:** Funds are distributed to various organizations throughout the state that provide services aimed at increasing and enhancing prevention, intervention, and treatment programs with the ultimate goal of reducing the prevalence of rape or attempted rape.

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